Remarks

Claims 1-31 are currently pending and stand rejected. Claim 14 has been amended to correct matters of form. Applicants assert that the application is in condition for allowance as set forth more fully below.

Information Disclosure Statement

Initially, Applicants point out that the previous office action of November 6, 2003, included a copy of the form 1449 showing references checked off by the Examiner. It appears that there was one reference listed in the "Other Documents" section that was inadvertently left unchecked. Applicants request that the Examiner please consider that remaining reference and provide the form 1449 with that reference checked off in response to this communication.

Interview Summary

The undersigned participated in a telephone interview with the Examiner on February 16, 2005. During the interview, the Andrews reference was briefly discussed and the Examiner concurred that Andrews fails to disclose copying the current database location to a historical database location and modifying the current database location while associating the current database location with the historical database location. The Examiner requested that such arguments be submitted in a written response.

Objections to the specification

The specification has been objected to for the use of boldface type for the section headings. The specification has been amended above to remove the boldface type, and this objection may now be withdrawn.

Objections to the claims

Claim 14 has been objected to for the phrase "the the current database". Claim 14 has been amended above to remove the extra "the," and this objection may now be withdrawn.

Rejections

Claims 1-6, 13, and 17-18 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Andrews (US Pub 20020077998). Additionally, claims 2, 7-12, 14-16, and 19-31 stand rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Andrews in view of one or more of various other references.

Relative to independent claims 1, 13, 21, and 25, while Andrews discloses archiving information, Andrews fails to disclose copying a data entry of a current database location to a create a data entry at a historical database location and that the entry at the current database location is then modified, or deleted as in claim 25. Furthermore, relative to independent claims 1, 13, 19, 21, and 25, Andrews fails to disclose an entry at a current database location being associated with a data entry at a historical database location. The current rejections rely on Andrews for these claim elements, and therefore, these claims are allowable over all the rejections based on Andrews for at least these reasons.

Additionally, Applicants maintain the position that the Pisello reference is inadequate in rejections of the current claims for reasons previously set forth in the reply filed in response to the previous Office Action. Therefore, claims rejected on Andrews in view of at least Pisello are allowable for these additional reasons.

Dependent claims 2-12, 14-18, 20, 22-24, and 26-31 depend from allowable base claims and are also allowable for at least the same reasons.

Conclusion

Applicants assert that the application including claims 1-31 is now in condition for allowance. Applicants request reconsideration in view of the amendments and remarks above and further request that a Notice of Allowability be provided. Should the Examiner have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

No fees beyond the noted fee for continued examination are believed due. However, please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-3025.

Respectfully submitted,

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